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In re Patent Application of)
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Application No.: 09/899,937) Examiner: Unassigned
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For: MAGNETORESISTIVE EFFECT THIN- FILM MAGNETIC HEAD AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF MAGNETORESISTIVE EFFECT THIN- FILM MAGNETIC HEAD	Technology Center 2600

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

Japanese Patent No. 04103014, issued April 6, 1992; and

W.P. Pratt, Jr., et al., "Perpendicular Giant Magnetoresistance of Ag/Co Multilayers", Physical Review Letters, Vol. 66, No. 23, June 10, 1991, pp. 3060-3063.

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

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To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying form PTO-1449 for the above-identified patent application.

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